

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Rule 1.53(b) cont. appln of:)
U.S. Serial No. 09/092,077)
Maurice MONCANY et al.)
Serial No.: Unassigned) Prior Group Art Unit: 1648
Filed: September 26, 2000) Prior Examiner: J. Stucker

For: NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES DERIVED FROM THE GENOME OF
RETROVIRUSES OF THE HIV-1, HIV-2 AND SIV TYPE, AND THEIR USES IN
PARTICULAR FOR THE AMPLIFICATION OF THE GENOMES OF THESE
RETROVIRUSES AND FOR THE IN VITRO DIAGNOSIS OF THE DISEASES
DUE TO THESE VIRUSES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application
as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6, line 1, after "GAC" insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)--;
line 2, after "...", last occurrence, insert --SEQ ID NO:2)--;
line 4, after "AAA A", insert --(SEQ ID NO:3)--;
line 5, after "...", last occurrence, insert --SEQ ID NO:4)--;
line 6, after "...", last occurrence, insert --(SEQ ID NO:5)--;
line 8, after "TTT TA" insert --(SEQ ID NO:6)--;
line 9, after "...", last occurrence, insert --(SEQ ID NO:7)--;